Subpart P—Physical Condition of Multifamily Properties

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§ 200.850 Purpose.

The purpose of this subpart is to establish the physical conditions standards and physical inspection requirements that are applicable to certain multifamily housing properties.

§ 200.853 Applicability.

This subpart applies to:

- (a) Housing assisted by HUD under the following programs:
- (1) All Section 8 project-based assistance. "Project-based assistance" means Section 8 assistance that is attached to the structure (see 24 CFR 982.1(b)(1) regarding the distinction between "project-based" and "tenant-based" assistance);
- (2) Section 202 Program of Supportive Housing for the Elderly (Capital Advances):
- (3) Section 811 Program of Supportive Housing for Persons with Disabilities (Capital Advances); and
- (4) Section 202 loan program for projects for the elderly and handicapped (including 202/8 projects and 202/162 projects).
- (b) Housing with mortgages insured or held by HUD, or housing that is receiving insurance from HUD, under the following authorities:
- (1) Section 207 of the National Housing Act (NHA) (12 U.S.C. 1701 *et seq.*) (Rental Housing Insurance);
- (2) Section 213 of the NHA (Cooperative Housing Insurance);
- (3) Section 220 of the NHA (Rehabilitation and Neighborhood Conservation Housing Insurance):
- (4) Section 221(d)(3) of the NHA (Market Interest Rate (MIR) Program);
- (5) Section 221(d)(3) and (5) of the NHA (Below Market Interest Rate (BMIR) Program);
- (6) Section 221(d)(4) of the NHA (Housing for Moderate Income and Displaced Families);
- (7) Section 231 of the NHA (Housing for Elderly Persons);
- (8) Section 232 of the NHA (Mortgage Insurance for Nursing Homes, Inter-

- mediate Care Facilities, Assisted Living Facilities, Board and Care Homes);
- (9) Section 234(d) of the NHA (Rental) (Mortgage Insurance for Condominiums):
- (10) Section 236 of the NHA (Rental and Cooperative Housing for Lower Income Families):
- (11) Section 241 of the NHA (Supplemental Loans for Multifamily Projects). (Where, however, the primary mortgage of a Section 241 property is insured or assisted by HUD under a program covered in this part, the coverage by two HUD programs does not trigger two inspections); and
- (12) Section 542(c) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 (12 U.S.C. 1707 note) (Housing Finance Agency Risk Sharing Program).

§ 200.855 Physical condition standards and physical inspection requirements.

- (a) Applicable standards and requirements. The physical condition standards and physical inspection requirements in 24 CFR part 5, subpart G, are applicable to the properties assisted or insured that are listed in §200.853.
- (b) Entity responsible for inspection of property. The regulations that govern the programs listed in §200.853, or regulatory agreements or contracts, identify the entity responsible for conducting the physical inspection of the property which is HUD, the lender or the owner. For properties with more than one HUD insured loan, only the first mortgage lender is required to conduct the physical inspection. The second mortgage lender will be provided a copy of the physical inspection report by the first mortgage lender.
- (c) Timing of inspections. (1) For a property subject to an annual inspection under this subpart, the inspection shall be conducted no earlier than 9 months and no later than 15 months from the date of the last required inspection. In no event, however, shall the physical inspection be conducted after the end of the calendar year following the one year anniversary date of the last required inspection.
- (2) For a property subject to an inspection every two years under this subpart, the inspection shall be conducted no earlier than 21 months and

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no later than 27 months from the date of the last required inspection. In no event, however, shall the physical inspection be conducted after the end of the calendar year following the two year anniversary date of the last required inspection.

- (3) For a property subject to an inspection every three years under this subpart, the inspection shall be conducted no earlier than 33 months and no later than 39 months from the date of the last required inspection. In no event, however, shall the physical inspection be conducted after the end of the calendar year following the three year anniversary date of the last required inspection.
- (4) For a newly endorsed multifamily property, the first inspection required under this subpart will be conducted no earlier than 21 months but not later than 27 months from the date of final endorsement. In no event, however, shall the inspection be conducted after the end of the calendar year following the two year anniversary date of final endorsement.

§ 200.857 Administrative process for scoring and ranking the physical condition of multifamily housing properties.

- (a) Scoring and ranking of the physical condition of multifamily housing properties. (1) HUD's Real Estate Assessment Center (REAC) will score and rank the physical condition of certain multifamily housing insured properties listed in §200.853 in accordance with the procedures described in this section. The physical condition inspection of the property, upon which REAC bases its score and ranking, is conducted by the responsible entity in accordance with §200.855.
- (2) Depending upon the results of its physical condition inspection, a multifamily housing property will be assigned one of three designations—standard 1 performing, standard 2 performing and standard 3 performing—in accordance with the ranking process described in paragraph (b) of this section.
- (b) Methodology for Ranking. (1) Multifamily housing properties will be ranked in accordance with the methodology provided in this paragraph (b).

Multifamily housing properties are scored on the basis of a 100 point scale. Because scores may include fractions, a score that includes a fraction below one half point will be rounded to the next lower full point and a score that includes a fraction of one half point or higher will be rounded to the next higher full point (e.g., 89.4 will be rounded to 89, 89.5 will be rounded to

- (i) Standard 1 Performing Property. If a property receives a score of 90 points or higher on its physical condition inspection, the property will be designated a standard 1 performing property. Properties designated as standard 1 performing properties will be required to undergo a physical inspection once every three (3) years.
- (ii) Standard 2 Performing Property. If a property receives a score of 80 points or higher but less than 90 on its physical condition inspection, the property will be designated a standard 2 performing property. Properties designated as standard 2 performing properties will be required to undergo a physical inspection once every two (2) years.
- (iii) Standard 3 Performing Property. If a property receives a score of less than 80 points, the property will be designated a standard 3 performing property. Properties designated as standard 3 performing properties will continue to undergo an annual physical inspection as currently required under covered HUD programs.
- (2) Owners of multifamily housing properties scoring in a standard 1 or standard 2 range which have been cited by the REAC as having a Exigent Health and Safety (EHS) deficiency(s) must resolve the deficiency(s), as required by paragraph (c)(2) of this section, to be classified as standard 1 and standard 2 properties.
- (3) Regardless of the performance designation assigned to an owner's property, an owner is obligated to maintain its property in accordance with HUD's uniform physical condition standards as required by 24 CFR part 5, subpart G, the Regulatory Agreement and/or the Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) Contract. Good management principles require an owner to conduct routine inspections of its